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Reservations are now being accepted for the Marion Art Center's production of *Steel Magnolias* to be presented on March 3, 4, 9, 10 and 11 at 8:00 pm and on Sunday, March 5 at 4:00 pm. The play was written by Robert Harding and was a Broadway hit in 1987 before being made into an award-winning movie. The show is funny, uplifting and touching.

The action takes place in a beauty shop in the South known as "Truvy's" (played by Denise Giblin). This is a place where the ladies who are 'anybody' in Chinquapin, Louisiana, have their hair done including Clairee, a wealthy widow, (played by Cynthia Latham), Ouiser, the town curmudgeon (played by Nancy Havel), Shelby, the prettiest girl in town about to be married, (played by Shannon Farrell) and her mother (played by Deborah Bokelkamp). Truvy's confused assistant is played by Carolynne Fondulis. This accomplished cast is directed by Sheila Furtado.

Tickets are \$12.50 for Marion Art Center members and \$15 general admission. Reservations are recommended as seating is limited in the Art Center's intimate theater. Please call the Center at 508-748-1266.

Other upcoming Marion Art Center events of interest:

- Applications are now being accepted for the



Above: During their February meeting, the Old Rochester Regional School Committee recognized Ruth Jefferson and Becky Zora for their work with the high school yearbook. In honor of their contributions, the ORR School Committee donated books to the school library in their names. Pictured here are ORR School Committee Chairman Bob Nectow with Ruth Jefferson (left) and Becky Zora (right).

On the cover: Cast members for the Marion Art Center's production of *Steel Magnolias* include (front, l. to r.) Shannon Farrell, Cynthia Latham, (back, l. to r.) Carolynne Fondulis, Deb Bokelkamp, Denise Giblin, and Nancy Havel. The show will be staged on March 3, 4, 9, 10 and 11 at 8:00 pm and on Sunday, March 5 at 4:00 pm. Tickets are \$12.50 for Marion Art Center members and \$15 general admission. Reservations are recommended as seating is limited in the Art Center's intimate theater. Please call the center at 508-748-1266. (Photo by and courtesy of Leah Latham).

Marion Art Center's summer **ARTCAMP**, a program for children ages 4-1/2 to 9 years old. Camp meets Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings beginning July 5. There are three two-week sessions. The campers are grouped by age and have the following activities every day: Arts & Crafts, Stories & Music, and Theater. There is an original performance at the end of each two-week session. Costumes and set pieces are created in the art studio by the children. For application and information call the Marion Art Center at 508-748-1266 or visit the website at www.marionartcenter.org.

• The **Winter Members Show** opened at the Marion Art Center on Saturday with an artists' reception. There are now 84 works of art ranging from photographs to crisp watercolor seascapes to acrylic abstracts to elegant



Above: Webelos from Pack 53 in Mattapoisett pose after completing the recent Iditarod Derby at Camp Cachalot on February 4, 2006. Pictured with the racing sleds are (l. to r.) Colon Stellato, Nick Piva, Robby Magee, Haakon Perkins, Cory Gaspar, Lee Estes, Jonathan Morton, Alex Buckley, and Callum McLaughlin.

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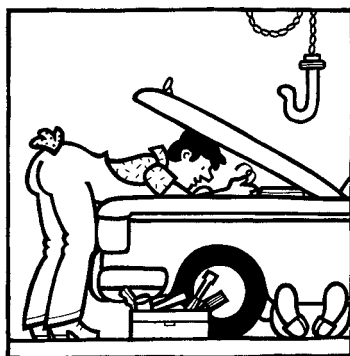
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The Members Show will be on display through March 22. The galleries are open to the public Tuesday through Friday, 1:00 to 5:00 pm and Saturdays, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Admission is free.

• Places are still available in the **Pilates/Yoga Classes** meeting on Monday mornings from 9:30 to 10:30 am at the Marion Art Center. Debbie Johnson is a certified Pilates instructor and takes special care to make sure each participant is using the correct form for optimum results. Pilates is a unique exercise program focusing on developing inner core strength and whole body wellness through stretching, lengthening and toning all muscle groups. Each class is \$12.50 or \$75 for six weeks, \$150 for twelve

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- The Marion Art Center is planning to celebrate its **50th Anniversary** in 2007. Thanks to support from many people in southeastern New England, the center continues to fulfill its mission of promoting the visual and performing arts through exhibitions, plays, musicals, concerts, lectures, classes lessons and by supporting cultural and civic events in the community. Membership is open to the public. For more information, please call 508-748-1266 or check out the website at www.marionartcenter.org.

Teachers Honored

ORR Recognizes Yearbook Contributions

During their February meeting, the Old Rochester Regional School Committee recognized Ruth Jefferson and Becky Zora for their work with the high school yearbook.

Ruth Jefferson, a graduate of ORR, has been the receptionist/secretary at the high school since 1989 and in 2002 joined the yearbook staff as co-advisor. Becky Zora is also an ORR graduate and has been an art teacher here since 1972. She was an advisor to the yearbook in the '70s and became co-advisor with Mrs. Jefferson in 2002.

During the past three years, the ORR yearbook has been nominated by Taylor Publishing and has received two honorable mention awards out of 8,000 entries. Mrs. Zora embraces a democratic process with students

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on the yearbook staff. "It is all about the students, since it is their memories we are trying to capture." Each year the students customize all page and cover designs.

In addition to publishing the yearbook each year, Mrs. Zora and Mrs. Jefferson with their students, also provide community support in the development of special edition booklets. In 2004, they developed a Special Edition celebrating the "Marion Veterans of World War II" and in 2005 a "Commemorative Edition for the Marion Fire Department."

In honor of their contributions, the ORR School Committee donated books to the school library in their names.

Marion Selectmen's Meeting

February 21, 2006

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday, February 21 at 7:03 pm by Chairman Jonathan Henry. Also present were Selectman Andrew Jeffrey, Selectman David Pierce, and Town Administrator Jack Dolan. Secretary Helene Craver was not present for the meeting.

The board first approved the minutes of the December 6, 2003 meeting (with corrections) and then the minutes of the February 7, 2006 meeting.

At 7:05 pm the board met with Carl Ribeiro, Chairman of the Marion 2015 Committee, to present the

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board with a draft report from his group. "I have presented to you a draft report and the committee's idea was to give ... Selectmen time to review it and then discuss it (at a later meeting)," Mr. Ribeiro said. "We thought it would be more helpful if the whole committee came in to talk to you."

Mr. Ribeiro also told the board they have prepared a revised rollout plan for the objectives contained in the Marion 2015 report.

"There were less Planning Board issues and more softer things ... we need to take care of over a ten-year period," Mr. Ribeiro said. "We'd like (the Board of Selectmen) to set the priorities instead of our committee setting the priorities."

As a means of getting the word out to residents, Mr. Ribeiro also suggested airing a half-hour show on cable access and also contact the local newspapers for coverage.

Selectman Pierce thanked Mr. Ribeiro and his committee and also commended the input of the UMass Dartmouth Center for Policy Analysis in preparing the Marion 2015 document.

At 7:10 pm the board met with members of the Marion School Committee and ORR School Superintendent Dr. William Cooper for an update on maintenance capital needs at Sippican School.

"The (maintenance) committee has worked very well ... I think it was an inspired idea by the (Selectmen) to have such a committee," Dr. Cooper said. "Between the

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administration and school committee members ... we've put together a list of items which should be attended to and tried to prioritize them."

Among the key capital items deemed to be high priorities:

- Replacing the circulating pumps in the school's boiler room (estimated cost: \$10,000);
- Repairs to backboard supports in the school gym, including safety requirements and improvements (estimated cost: \$4,850);
- Putting security system online at the school, including review and testing of all devices (estimated cost: \$9,700); and
- Purchase of three additional large dehumidifiers for the summer months (estimated cost: \$2,998).

Dr. Cooper also noted some other capital improvements which will be needed include the installation of a drain for the 1972 wing (\$8,500); replacing windows in classrooms 116, 114 and 112 (\$8,000); revisions to the back parking lot to allow better traffic flow (\$12,000 to \$15,000); and reviewing the crawl space under the 1950



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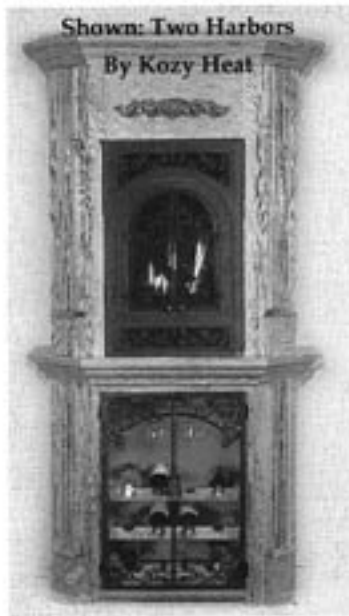
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"I understand what you were trying to do last year was fund (capital needs) outside of your regular operating budget," Chairman Henry said. "I wonder if you have your hands around the capital budget at this point."

"We have a maintenance budget which covers (routine) repairs, but we have not included in our budget items in this category — \$10,000 and up," Dr. Cooper said.

"For about five years after the (school) expansion and renovation, we really didn't undertake any capital improvements because we didn't see the need," said School Committee Chairman Susan Grosart.

"Last year was really the first year since the building was completed that we had a need for capital improvements (at the school)," Selectman Jeffrey said. "I really think we need to consult the Finance Committee (FinCom) to see how best these (expenses) can be handled."

Mr. Dolan noted there has been discussion of reactivating a Capital Needs Committee to address such larger capital needs (\$10,000 or more), and these suggested improvements would certainly fall into that category.

On another topic, Ms. Grosart mentioned the possibility of funding a full-day Kindergarten program at Sippican School. "The School Committee feels very strongly that this is an important academic program and it should be funded by the town," Ms. Grosart said. "Because of the situation financially in the town, we will continue to fund

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"It's my understanding that the cost to fund full-day Kindergarten would be about \$165,000 a year — is that correct?" asked Chairman Henry.

"It would be closer to about \$125,000 a year and that would be about the same for each of the three towns in the district," Dr. Cooper said.

"That doesn't strike me as a large number," Chairman Henry said. "It seems to me we should find a way to come up with the funds ... it would be of great value. I'm just coming from the basic premise that public education should be fully funded."

At 7:45 pm the board met with Richard Kemp, Chairman of the Finance Committee (FinCom), for a financial update.

"The Marion Finance Committee would really like to respond to some of the cynical comments that have been made in the press and by others ... over Mr. Dolan's recommended staffing changes (in Town Hall)," Mr. Kemp said. "The FinCom approved the memo (from Mr. Dolan) ... and we are committed to bring in a budget that's limited to a 2.5 percent increase."

Mr. Kemp said the FinCom is currently meeting with all department heads and elected boards to review each budget for FY 2007. "We recognize there are really fixed costs over which we have no control," Mr. Kemp said. "The projected school budgets point to a potential deficit of \$900,000 (in our budget). It's too soon to predict

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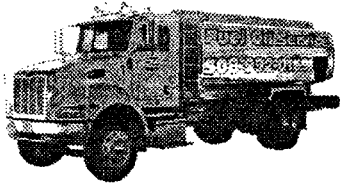
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what the course of action should be to counter this deficit. We have to review the budget to see what other areas will be needed to balance the other budgets, but it may well be that operational overrides will be necessary."

"Because of the (ORR budget) last year, we had to use a lot of Free Cash, and we don't have that much available Free Cash this year," Selectman Jeffrey said. "It's not something we have to deal with next year or the year after — it's *this* year."

"(Residents) should take it to heart that we're facing a significant financial crisis this year and throughout," Chairman Henry said. "There may be a point where some of the town's services might have to be curtailed. It is early, there is other work to be done, we don't have our hands around (incoming) revenues, but hopefully the damage won't be as bad as we think."

In other matters, the board discussed staffing changes for the Board of Health, Board of Assessors and Planning Board as initially recommended by Town Administrator Jack Dolan.

"At the last Selectmen's meeting, we received a counter-proposal from the Planning Board and Board of Health," Chairman Henry said.

"My intention tonight is not to go back to the original proposal," Selectman Jeffrey read from a prepared statement. "(But) this counter-proposal is an extreme."

With that, the board moved and unanimously



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approved the following amended motion, incorporating some minor changes suggested in the counter-proposal:

"No change to the previous clerical staff levels of the Board of Health and Planning Board offices will be made until after the Annual Town Meeting, if at all. In the interim, a 30 hours-per-week clerk for the Planning Board will be hired with all reasonable dispatch on a temporary basis.

"No changes to the clerical staff levels of these offices, nor any other offices maintained for the benefit of an elected board will be made in the future except with at least six weeks advance written notice to the affected board(s) of the proposed change, with the affected board(s) being afforded an opportunity to be heard by the Board of Selectmen in public session prior to the implementation decision being made by the Board of Select-



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"Towards the end of providing the best possible mechanisms for accountability, efficiency and communication among town departments and to better define administrative roles within the town, the Board of Selectmen will advocate for the creation of a charter commission."

There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to go into Executive Session at 9:00 pm and would thereafter adjourn for the evening.

Sports Shorts

By Erica Nelson

The **Boys Basketball Team** put the finishing touches on their season last Friday with a game against Wareham. Unfortunately, the boys came up short in their last game of the season, finishing with an overall score of 83- 53 in favor of Wareham. The team finished off the season with a 4-16 record overall.

Last Friday night the **Girls Basketball Team** also faced the Wareham Lady Vikings. They were successful, bringing home yet another victory for the girls team. Sophomore **Gabby Almeida** played very well for the Bulldogs against Wareham. The girls will play Bishop Stang in the upcoming week, and will find out their schedule for the State Tournament. *Good luck girls!*

The **Boys Hockey Team** had an extremely exciting week last week, winning the game that would give

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them their ticket into the state tournament. Their 4-1 victory over Mashpee High School last Sunday sent the team state-bound. With only two regular season games remaining, the boys fought for an important victory the following day versus Bishop Stang, during which the came out on top with a score of 6-3. According to the team, everyone played well to contribute to this win. The team will play Martha's Vineyard this week to complete their regular season. Their current record is 9-7-2.

Mattapoisett Recreation

Registration for the next six-week session of **Kripalu Yoga** will be held on Thursday, March 9 from 7:30 to 8:00 pm in the Center School Gymnasium. The new session will begin on Thursday, March 16 and every Thursday thereafter from 6:00 to 7:15 pm in the Center School Gym. If you have any questions or if you are unable to attend registration, please call Alice Beauregard at 508-965-4953.

Sarah Behn and her staff will be hosting a **FREE Basketball Clinic** for Girls in Grades 3 through 8 on Saturday, March 18 from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon at the Old Rochester Regional Junior High School. The clinic will focus on the basic skills of shooting, rebounding, ball handling and all other fundamentals of the game. There will be lots of prizes and one lucky player will win a day camp scholarship to a week of summer camp. Girls from the tri-town and surrounding towns are invited to attend. Coaches, bring your teams! Anyone interested should

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Tri-Town Boys Volleyball Clinic will be held on March 13, March 15, March 16 and March 17 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at Old Rochester Regional High School. Boys in Grades 9 through 12 are eligible to play. Two sections will be offered:

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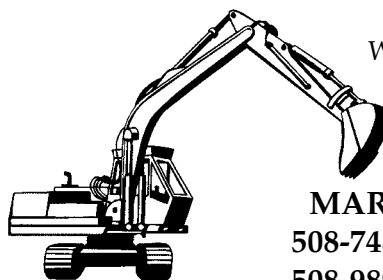
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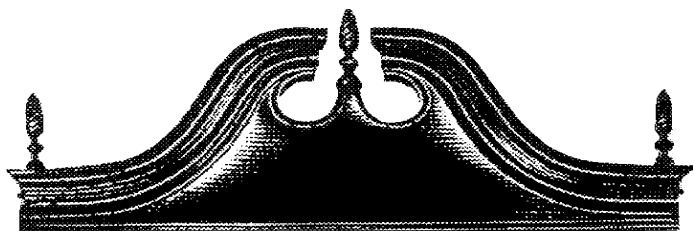


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Relay for Life

The American Cancer Society is holding the **Second Annual Relay for Life of the Tri-Town**. The 21-hour relay will be held at **Old Rochester Regional High School** on **June 9 and 10, 2006**. Please mark your calendars for the **Team Kick-Off Meeting** on Tuesday March 7, 2006 at ORR High School starting at 6:30 pm. For more information, feel free to call **Event Chairman Bonnie Davidson** at 508-858-4076 or bdavidson@jackconway.com.

Pop Warner Football

Even though the football season is winding down and the Super Bowl is right around the corner, thoughts have turned to next football season in Mattapoisett, Marion, and Rochester. A group of parents and business leaders have come together to start a **Pop Warner Youth Tackle Football and Cheerleading Program** for the tri-towns.

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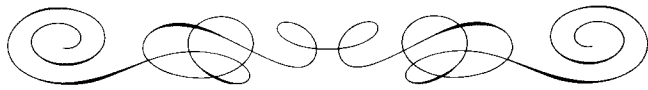
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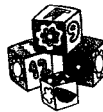
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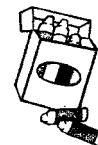


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from the towns had to rely on the goodwill of neighboring communities like Wareham to participate in Pop Warner. With the tremendous growth in the towns and the increasing interest in football, the towns decided the time was right to give the kids their own program.

Old Rochester Youth Football, Inc. has been hard at work registering kids and raising start-up funds. Registration is open to children entering Grades 2 through 8. Teams are grouped by both age and weight. The group continues to seek people interested in helping with fundraising, registration, and coaching.

The registration deadline is set for **March 15, 2006** or when rosters are filled. Pop Warner limits team rosters so parents are encouraged to register their children early. Registration forms are available online at www.oryf.com. For more information, please call 508-565-1413.

YMCA Summer Camps

Even though summer is a few months away, now is the time for parents to start thinking about ways to create a safe and enriching summer for their children. YMCA Southcoast is now registering for its five camp programs: **Camp Massasoit, Mattapoisett; Camp Metacomet, Dartmouth; Camp Frederick Douglas, New Bedford; Y Quequechan, Fall River; and Camp Nep-In-Nae, Wareham.** Camp spaces fill up quickly, so parents are urged to make plans now for July and August.

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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

The Mattapoissett Planning Board is unanimous in its opposition to granting a Special Permit for a drive-through at 51 County Road for a Dunkin' Donuts facility. The town voted last May to enact revisions to the by-laws that specifically forbid drive-throughs. These amendments were consistent with pre-existing laws that barred serving food to patrons in cars. To date there are no drive-through food services in town and that is how the townspeople desire it remain. Unlike towns that have given

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granted when "the proposal's benefits to the Town will outweigh any adverse affects on the town or vicinity." The by-laws outline specific criteria to be considered in determining whether a project meets this standard. We do not feel the project as proposed would meet these criteria, nor has the applicant addressed these criteria in a credible manner in the application for the Board's consideration. We acknowledge that there are traffic problems at the existing Tedeschi shop. Relocating this facility to the Salvation Army site could alleviate this problem, however resolving the traffic issue is not predicated on a drive-through.

This project proposal could be designed to provide much improved traffic circulation and parking capacity over the existing site without the need for a drive-through. Rather than requesting the Town to accommodate a "cookie cutter" shop design and drive-through, the applicant should be working with the Town to develop a more thoughtful project that is in keeping with the objectives and the intent of the zoning approved by Town Meeting while alleviating some of the constraints and adverse conditions of the present Tedeschi site.

We feel strongly that the legacy of approving a drive-through Dunkin' Donuts would create a situation that is both inappropriate for the present and possibly calamitous as a precedent for the future of our town.

The townspeople's mandate was made clear at town meeting last May. Our duty as board members is to conduct business in accordance with the will of the town. We have a responsibility to the town both in carrying out its convictions and to safeguard what we consider desirable for future generations.

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Do you have questions about the Medicare D Plan and need answers? Help is on the way! The Medicare Matters Van will be at Coastline Elderly Services, Inc., 1646 Purchase Street in New Bedford, on Monday, February 27 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm for individual, one-on-one interviews. Seniors who have questions about the Medicare D Plan should bring with them the following documents. Without these documents, the representative might not be able to provide the necessary help:

- Medicare Card;
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"I am delighted that Rochester was able to secure this award," Senator Menard said. "I know that the town will be able to put these funds to good use."

Representative Straus added: "The grant money is a great boost to the town and its efforts to restore wetlands and preserve natural resources."

ORR Booster Phonathon

The Old Rochester Regional Athletic Booster Club will be holding its Third Annual Phonathon beginning Wednesday evening, March 1, and continuing through the month. All residents of Marion, Mattapoisett and Rochester are encouraged to respond generously when receiving calls from the students.

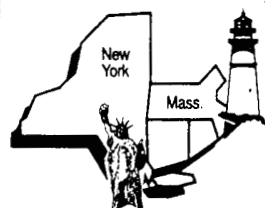
During last year's second annual Phonathon, student athletes raised over \$20,000.

Starting this year, student-athletes at ORR will gather on weekday evenings from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm at ORR High School to make telephone calls to residents in the tri-town area, raising much needed funds on behalf of

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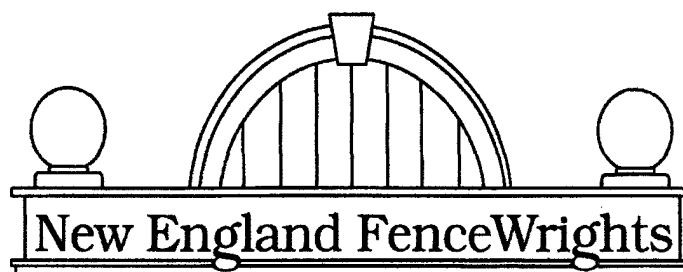


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the Athletic Booster Club. The Booster Club is an all-volunteer organization dedicated to supporting athletics at ORR High School.

The Athletic Booster Club supports development and enhancement of comprehensive athletic programs for the Old Rochester Regional School District. To accomplish this mission, the Booster Club supports a variety of programs, including:

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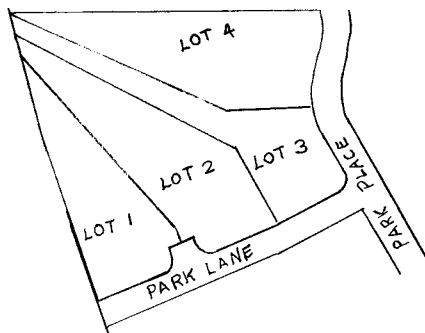
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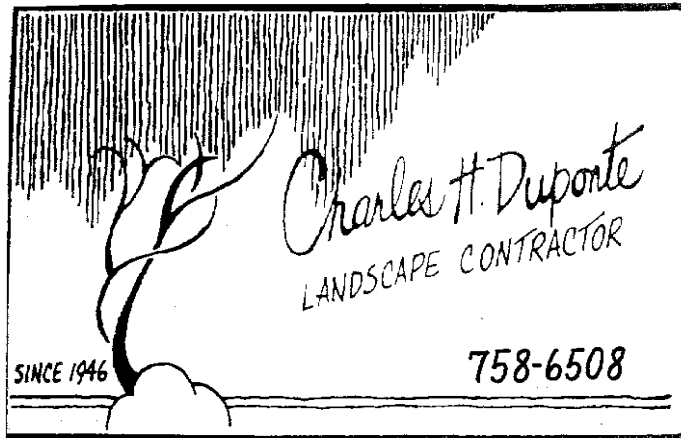


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The ORR Athletic Booster Club meets the first Monday of each month in the ORR High School Library. All residents of the ORR School District are welcome to attend.

Again, please respond generously when receiving calls from the local student-athletes in the coming weeks. Thank you in advance for supporting the Booster Club with your generosity and much-needed support.

Habitat for Humanity

Buzzards Bay Area Habitat for Humanity (BBAH-FH) became an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International in December of 1996 and represents the towns of Acushnet, Fairhaven, Marion, Mattapoisett, Rochester and Wareham. This affiliate is blessed with the many individuals who are eager to assist in our mission to make decent shelter available to as many families as possible in our area.

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ORR Drug Task Force

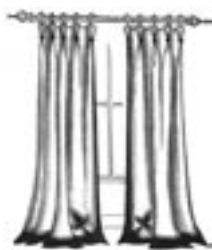
During several School Committee debates over a policy governing the use of passive breathalyzer equipment at high school dances, there has been considerable interest expressed in an effort to engage more area citizens in other strategies designed to dissuade the use of alcohol and illegal drugs by the young people of the Tri-Town communities. While agreeing that the breathalyzer equipment might be of limited use as a deterrent on those evenings when it is in use in conjunction with major social functions, the School Committee members recognize that the problems associated with under-age drinking and illegal drug use cannot be addressed without very significant 24-7 efforts by parents and their children, and the school and community resources that support both.

The ORR School Committee directed the school administration to convene an initial meeting of parents, students, school committee representatives, and staff members in the Tri-Town school communities (focus on Grades 5 to 11) to discuss the issues involved and to work on plans and practices that might be used to reduce the use of alcohol and illegal drugs by our students. They have selected Tuesday, February 28, 2006 at 6:30 pm in the High School Library for a general meeting of parents, students, staff, and interested citizens about the matter of drug and alcohol usage by our students.

Although we will each year have disciplinary cases involving students either using or being under the influence of drugs or alcohol at school, the number of such incidents is quite low. The school's policy and practice when students are caught using or in possession of drugs or alcohol are quite strong and generally sufficient to deter such risk taking. The use of drugs or alcohol outside of

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the school confines seems to be a more significant aspect of this issue. Are there strategies that school personnel or other community agencies could support that would be useful to parents and young people of the Tri-Town communities in helping to lower the use of drugs or alcohol and, therefore, the life risks too often associated with use of the illegal substances?

Please consider sharing your ideas about this important concern on Tuesday, February 28, 2006 at 6:30 pm in the High School Library.

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Enrollment for the next Driver Education Class at Old Rochester Regional High School is now taking place. Due to a change in state law, a student must be at least 15 years, 9 months of age on or before March 20, 2006 in order to enroll in the class. Students from ORR will be given first available seats.

Please call the Martin Auto School at 508-999-3832 for further information. Registration period for ORR High School students only will be held on Tuesday, March 14 and Wednesday, March 15 in the high school cafeteria from 10:42 to 11:07 am and again from 12:11 to 12:36 pm. Those wishing to register for this class who are not students of ORR High School should call the Martin Auto School directly to register. The class will be scheduled to begin on Monday, March 20, 2006. The classes will be held Monday through Thursday at ORR High School in Room 248, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm, and run for three-and-a-half weeks.

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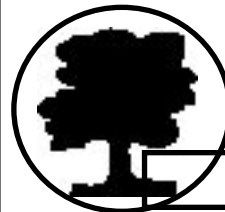
ORR Live Telethon

Old Rochester's Community Service Learning Youth Council is holding a live telethon on Friday, March 3 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. The telethon will be benefitting Picayune High School in Mississippi. The CSL Youth Council adopted Picayune High School, who took in hundreds of evacuees after Hurricane Katrina. We are asking that people bring in formal dress attire because as everyone knows, the prom season is coming and ORR students would like to help Picayune have a traditional prom. We would greatly appreciate any gently used formal attire such as dresses, suits, jackets, shoes, pants, etc. Cash donations are also welcome at any time.

On the evening of the telethon, there will be live music. All those who donate formal attire may model it on Channel 9, ORCTV, live during the broadcast. Please call in to donate to this worthy cause. All contributions will support those who have lost everything in Hurricane Katrina. For more information, please contact Taylor Crowley or Kathy Marx at kmarx@orr.mec.edu.

ORR FORM Concerts

The Friends of Old Rochester Music (FORM) Instrumental Concert is on Thursday, March 9. The FORM Choral Concert will be held on Tuesday, March 14. Both



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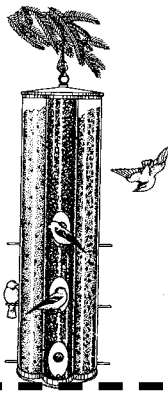
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concerts start at 6:30 pm in the gymnasium at ORR High School.

Both the instrumental and choral concert will feature bands from Old Hammondtown School, Sippican Elementary, Rochester Memorial and Old Rochester Regional Junior and Senior High Schools. Also appearing will be musical ensembles from Center School (Jean West) and Old Hammondtown (Stan Ellis).

Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children and seniors, with a \$12 family cap. Tickets are good for both nights. Proceeds from the concerts are to benefit the scholarship fund for graduating music students at ORR High School. At the conclusion of each concert there will be a combined finale of the evening's performers. All are welcome.

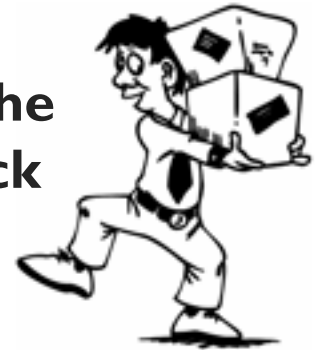
Marion Steak Dinner

The Marion Social Club, 44 Pumping Station Road in Marion, will host a Steak Supper on Saturday, March 11. Dinner will be served at 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$14 per person and can be purchased by calling Warren at 508-748-2933.

ORR Jazz Bands

Both the Old Rochester Regional High School Big Band and Jazz Combo once again placed in the top four finalists group at the Berklee College of Music's annual high school jazz competition. The competition, which

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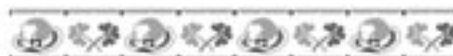
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was held at the Hynes Auditorium in Boston on February 11, displayed the talents of jazz big bands, choruses and combos from all over the United States.

The ORR Jazz Combo placed fourth in overall competition performing "On the Green Dolphin Street," the theme from the 1940's movie, *Sweet Emma*, a New Orleans style funk tune by trumpeter Nat Adderly and a Stan Ellis original, the blues shuffle "Ruffly Riffin." The idea of a combo is to give everyone participating a chance to solo and all members proved quite competent in that area while performing the arrangements written by Mr. Ellis. Members of the combo included Aaron Janik (trumpet), Michelle Barrows (tenor saxophone), Scott Bissonnette (guitar), Jared Whitcomb (organ), Doug Zeppenfeld (bass), James Wilhelmsen (drums and percussion), and Mack Williamson (drums and vibes).

Judge and famed bass player Dave Clark really liked the group, commenting on the groovy dance feel of "Sweet Emma."

"I did a weekend with Nat, and I think he would like it, too," wrote Clark on his score sheet.

Judge Jeff Stout, a Buddy Rich alumnus and Berkeley professor, also liked the overall sound.

Of trumpeter Aaron Janik, Stout wrote: "Pretty tone and (he) made all the changes." Of the rhythm he added: "This rhythm section is swinging and generates a lot of excitement."

Drummer and vibraphonist Mack Williamson brought home the special award of outstanding player in

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the group.

The ORR Big Band placed third in overall competition taking home \$1,500 in scholarship money towards deserving students that want to go to the Berklee summer program. They performed the Latin arrangement of a Tito Puente song, "Ran Kan Kan Blue," a Louie Belson big band ballad arrangement featuring Aaron Janik on flugelhorn and a swing arrangement entitled "Two Birds, One Stone."

Judge and saxophone professor at Berklee Bill Thompson wrote of the "Blue" arrangement: "Excellent trumpet intro, warm with great tone (and) lots of expression. Great ensemble work." Likewise pianist and professor Tony Germane wrote that the band had a lot of potential.

Aaron Janik took home the outstanding player in the ORR Big Band.

Also of note was the fact that Mack Williamson's picture appeared in the Berklee festival program, a picture that had been taken at last year's festival.

Recently the ORR Big Band also performed at Old Hammondtown School on Valentine's Day to the delight of the OHS students and faculty.

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Kindergarten Registration will be held at Sippican School on March 7 and March 9, 2006. Sessions will be held on Tuesday evening, March 7, from 6:30 to 8:00 pm,

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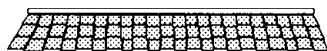
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and on Thursday morning, March 9, from 9:30 to 11:00 am.

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Information and forms have been mailed to the parents of all prospective Kindergarteners. Any parent not receiving this information should call Ms. Brodeur at Sippican School between 10:00 am and 2:30 pm at 508-748-0100.

Rochester Chicken Supper

The First Congregational Church in Rochester Center is planning another delicious Chicken Supper. On Saturday, March 4 a baked chicken dinner featuring homemade desserts will be served from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$ 7 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and under. Tickets or reservations may be obtained by calling 508-763-2724 or the church office at 508-763-4314 by February 28.

ORR Parents Association

The Old Rochester Regional Parents Association (ORRPA) will meet for its March meeting on Wednesday, March 1 at 7:00 pm in the ORR High School Parents Room. ORRPA discusses sensitive topics pertinent to ORR Junior and Senior High School students. They extend an open invitation to attend these FREE lectures and discussions each month. Please mark your calendars for the first Wednesday of each month ... the coffee's on!



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Sea Shell Steppers Square Dance Club will host a square dance with a Shamrock theme on Saturday evening, March 4, from 8:00 pm until 10:30 pm at the Acushnet Council on Aging at 5-1/2 Main Street in Acushnet. Caller will be Bob Butler. For more information or directions, please call Ginny at 508-991-4307 or Jim at 508-947-9602.

Fairhaven Mardi Gras

The Fairhaven Community Concert Series will celebrate Mardi Gras on Sunday, February 26, 2006. A jazz quartet led by Stan Strickland will provide the evening's entertainment. Stan Strickland is an internationally known singer, saxophonist, flutist, and actor. His current artistic projects include his new CD *Love and Beauty* by Hawkline, and his personally conceived play *Coming Up For Air: An Autojazzography*. He has performed with jazz greats Yusef Lateef, Pharoah Sanders, Herbie Mann, Danilo Perez, Shirley Scott, Marlena Shaw. Also he shares his creative talents through teaching at Lesley College, Berklee College of Music, Tufts University, and Longy School of Music.

The quartet's drummer will be Danny Scwhartz an accomplished drummer very well known in the Southern New England area for over thirty years. He performs with Strickland quite often, recently lending his talents to Strickland's CD *Love and Beauty*. His great talent on the drums promises to bring great excitement to this concert. Scwhartz was a very popular artist in the 2004

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and 2005 season of The Fairhaven Community Concert Series when he performed with the West African drum group Troupe Kommee Jossee led by Seydou Coulibaly. The Tavares brothers' pianist John Harrison, and the late Bobby Greene are other great local talents with whom he has performed.

The quartet will be rounded out with a steel drummer and a bass player. A steel drum has been added to the group to add an island sound to the performance.

As always the event will be held at the First Congregational Church of Fairhaven, 34 Center Street, Fairhaven. The evening will begin with a traditional Mardi Gras dinner at 5:30 pm catered by the Huttleston House Restaurant. The concert will begin at 7:00 pm. If you

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The Machacam Club will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, March 1 at the American Legion Hall on Depot Street in Mattapoisett. Social time is 5:30 pm with dinner service at 6:00 pm. Since this meeting falls on Ash Wednesday, be sure to tell your callers that you would prefer Fish Cakes if that is the case.

The speaker for this month will be Bill Kuunsela of Barr Incorporated, the General Contractor for the Mattapoisett Library construction project. As the "Construction Supervisor," Bill will be able to explain how they go about the work on a large rehab and addition such as this. Bill has asked that you bring your questions with you!

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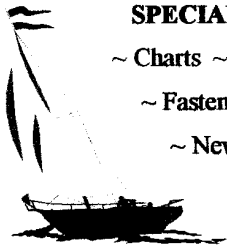
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Originally envisioning a serious romantic comedy, Frank Loesser went through eleven librettists before hiring Joe Swerling and Abe Burrows, radio and television writers with no experience on Broadway. *Guys and Dolls* opened on November 24, 1950 at the 46th Street Theatre and enjoyed a run of nearly 1200 performances. It was the fifth longest-running musical of the fifties, garnering six Tony nominations and six awards including Best Musical, Best Actor and Actress, Best Choreography, and Best Director.

In 1955 Hollywood produced a film version (four Academy Award nominations) with big box office names including Marlon Brando, Frank Sinatra, and Jean Simmons. The stage production was revived with an all-black cast in 1976, and in 1992 Nathan Lane and Peter Gallagher starred in the lead male roles in yet another revival on Broadway. Currently, the show is enjoying its latest revival in London with Ewan MacGregor playing Ski Masterson.

A typical romantic comedy, the story revolves around the love trials of two couples: Nathan Detroit and Miss Adelaide, and Sky Masterson and Sarah Brown. Short on cash, Nathan is desperate to make a bet to secure himself a venue for all the gamblers who have flooded the city. The highest gambler of them all Sky Masterson accepts Nathan's bet, a challenge that Sky cannot take a doll of Nathan's choosing out to dinner. When Nathan chooses the missionary, Sarah Brown, Sky figures he has met his match. In courting Brown, however, Sky falls in love with her and she with him, despite the differences in their professions. Nathan thinks he is in the clear, but Adelaide, his fiancée of fourteen years, finds out about Nathan's gambling ways and threatens to leave him once and for all. By the end of the show, the audience is treated to multiple marriages.

Tabor Academy's production includes local students Maura VanVoriss (Mattapoisett) as Adelaide and Charles Gaudet (Mattapoisett) as Nathan Detroit; Billy Morrissey (Bourne) as Sky Masterson and Ariel Barber (Lakeville) as Sarah Brown; Steve Faulkner (Mattapoisett) as Arvide, Sarah's grandfather and mentor; and Ned Risely (Marion) as Benny Southwest, one of Nathan's lieutenants. Rachel Stern (Marion) is the scene designer.

Reservations may be made by e-mailing wintermusicaltix@taboracademy.org, or by purchasing tickets at The Bookstall in Marion village.

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"Volunteers are the heart and soul of our program because they provide an array of services," said Susan Bliss, Volunteer Coordinator at Southcoast Home Care, Hospice and Palliative Care & Infusion Services. "Some provide care and comfort to patients and their families while others prefer to assist with fundraising events, bereavement services, memorial planning, community networking, office tasks and other helpful duties." The only requirements are that individuals commit to two to

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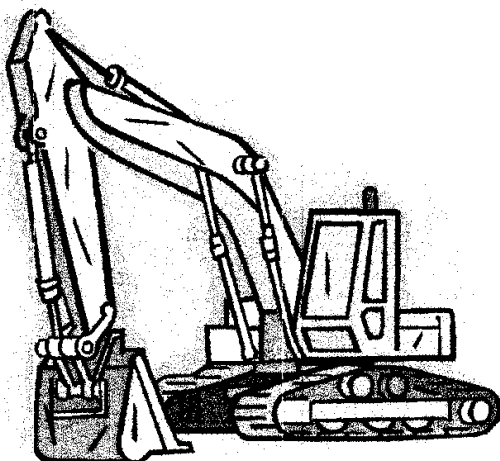
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Southcoast Home Care, Hospice and Palliative Care and Infusion Services, a department of Southcoast Hospitals Group is a private non-profit agency that provides comprehensive, preventive and rehabilitative home health care to residents of the Greater New Bedford and Wareham areas.

Southcoast Hospitals Group, a not-for-profit charitable organization, was formed in 1996 from the merger of Charlton Memorial Hospital in Fall River, St. Luke's Hospital in New Bedford and Tobey Hospital in Wareham. Southcoast Hospitals Group is part of Southcoast Health System, a community based health delivery system with multiple access points, offering an integrated continuum of health services throughout Southeastern Massachusetts and East Bay, Rhode Island.

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North Rochester Church

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- February 26 - Reverend Dr. Kathy Gayoski;
- March 5 - Communion - Patti Keller; and
- March 12 - Reverend Donald Finley.

The North Rochester Congregational Church located on North Avenue welcomes everyone to worship at 10:00 am every Sunday. The pulpit is filled by volunteers from the congregation or guest speakers. Music is provided by organist Denise Wright, who also organizes special music programs from time to time.

On the second Sunday of the month, following the service, everyone is invited to join together for food and fellowship at a brunch prepared by the members of the congregation. The church is handicap-accessible. For more information on special events or changes to the schedule, please call Barbara Besse at 508-763-8838.

ORR Early Childhood

Education in Japan

Debbie Almeida, teacher at Sippican School, Marion will share her observations from a recent trip to Japan on their system of early childhood education. The Tri-Town Early Childhood Council will be meeting in the library at Sippican School on Thursday, March 2 beginning at 6:00 pm. The council will also be finalizing plans for the annual Early Childhood Fair scheduled for Saturday, March 4. Child care is available by pre-registration. Call the Early Childhood Office no later than Monday, February 27 to reserve child care. The council welcomes participation by all interested in early childhood education including teachers, parents, directors and community members. For more information, please call the Early Childhood Office at 508-748-1863.

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Intentional Language

Parents and teachers were buzzing after Scott Noyes initial presentation in January on Positive Discipline. His many specific strategies presented through engaging stories offered all who attended a wealth of information. On Tuesday, March 7, Scott will return to Sippican School to offer another presentation titled "Intentional Language." If you have ever struggle to get just the right words out as you try to communicate with your child, this is the presentation for you. Scott will offer the

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same presentation twice — from 3:30 to 5:30 pm and from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Child care is available for children ages 2 years 9 months and older. Pre-registration is required. Please call the Early Childhood Office at 508-748-1863.

Tri-Town Phone Book

Preparations have begun for the 2006 edition of the "Blue Book," the local telephone directory issued each year by the League of Women Voters (LWV) of Marion-Mattapoisett-Rochester. The League uses revenue from the sale of "Blue Book" advertising to fund annual Education Grants to teachers in the tri-town public schools.

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He always arrived early ... Ahead of all the rest.

I've seen him sail his boat backwards!
... One season with no engine.
Or into the dock under full sail!
Just to see 'em all drop like theatre curtains,
right at the last moment,
turn headlong into the wind ...
Stop her on a dime and have her lines tied
before one could exhale and breath in again.

Navigated by the glow of his Marlborough ...
Steered with his feet.
Worked the rigging like Martha does her canvas.
And, don't try and help! — You'll just defeat the
purpose.

One of those who just can't seem to get his Land
Legs.
Not sure he ever had 'em.
Ask him the time and he'll give you the tide.
You could see it in his eyes.
A longing for the sea that you or I couldn't
fathom.

He looked good behind the helm.
You always knew it was him ...
Flying. Full sail through the moorings.
The Moon dimmed by his smiling.
On into the mornings. On in through the dawn.

It'd be odd if he'd not win the Wednesday night
race.
He'd be on the porch with a cold Bud Light on
his face — Before most of the rest of us would
even place!

Yeah ... Billy always seemed to find that patch of
wind ...
He'd always arrive early ... Ahead of the rest.



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Mattapoisett Town Clerk

Office Hours

The Mattapoisett Town Clerk's office is open Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, and on the *second* and *fourth* Tuesday of the month until 6:00 pm.

Census

Census forms have been mailed. When you receive yours, please read it over carefully and make sure that everything is correct. Make any necessary changes, sign and return to this office as soon as possible. The form can either be mailed back, dropped off in the Town Hall or if it is after hours you may place it in the mail slot to the left of the front door of the Town Hall. On the back of your census form is the Dog License Renewal Form, and you can renew your pet's license by mail. Enclose the necessary paperwork if needed, and your check and the 2006 license will be mailed back to you. If you no longer have your pet please make that notation on your census form so that we can update our records.

Dog Licenses

The 2006 Dog Licenses are now available. Your dog's rabies vaccination must be up-to-date, and if your pet has been spayed or neutered since you last licensed, they will need to see the spaying/neutering certificate. The fee is \$7 for spayed or neutered pets, \$10 if not. If the pet owner is 70 years of age or older, the license is free-of-charge but the rabies and spaying/neutering certificates are still necessary. If you have any questions, please call the Town Clerk's office at 508-758-4103, extension 2.

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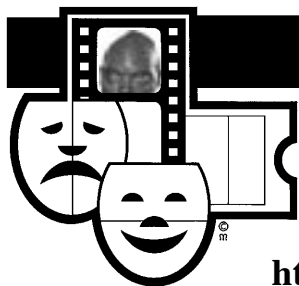
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MOVIE REVIEW

Social Drama

By Rob Gonsalves
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***Freedomland*. Starring Samuel L. Jackson and Julianne Moore. Directed by Joe Roth. Running time: 112 minutes. MPAA rating: R.**

Richard Price's novels, like *Clockers* and *Freedomland*, are kaleidoscopic character studies and closely observed social dramas. They don't fit easily into two-hour movies, though Spike Lee did a fine job with *Clockers*. When he isn't working with his own lengthy source material, Price knows how to shape a screenplay — rent *Night and the City* or *Kiss of Death* or *Mad Dog and Glory* and hear some of the sharpest dialogue you'll hear outside a Tarantino film. That's because he leaves himself room for characters to talk and reveal themselves. In *Freedomland*, which he adapted from his 1998 bestseller, Price only has space for the basics. So he covers essentially what happens in the novel, but leaves out its flavor. Having a non-entity director like Joe Roth (*Christmas with the Kranks*) can't help.

Here's an early passage from Price's book, wherein Detective Lorenzo Council, played in the film by Samuel L. Jackson, gives a speech berating the residents of a New Jersey project for keeping quiet about a local killer: "It has been a whole year. These people were shot a total of eight times. Eight explosions at nine o'clock in the morning. But nobody heard nothing, nobody heard nothing. Now how can that be, if I know that I turn on my radio too loud on the fourth floor someone on the first floor's gonna be complaining about the racket. How can that be, if I know that if I drop a, a juice glass on the second floor someone from the third floor is gonna be running to the housing office complaining about the party in my apartment." Can't you just hear Samuel L. Jackson saying those words? Not in the movie, you won't.

Instead, we're left with the bare bones, which won't hold up this drama. Council is saddled with a hot-button case: a white woman, Brenda Martin (Julianne Moore), shows up at the hospital with bloodied hands, claiming to have been carjacked by a black man. What's more, her four-year-old son was still in the car when the man took off. The project where the crime allegedly happened is locked down by the police, inciting much racial tension between the residents and the cops. The whole thing makes Council's lungs ache (literally; he has asthma). As an excuse to examine urban malaise at novel length, this premise works; as a film drama, it feels both overlong and sketchy.



I'm sorry to say it, but the usually dependable Julianne Moore sucks all the air out of the movie. Brenda is beside herself with grief and terror when she first appears, and she's never *not* beside herself. Moore never, ever lets up; it's an overacting marathon made all the more irritating by the character's working-class, recovering-addict Jersey accent. Some actors, however dazzling, shouldn't do accents. Moore is one of them. The one she's using here especially doesn't match her pale, aristocratic features. And when she's acting with Edie Falco (as the leader of a parents' group that tries to find missing kids), who does look and sound like she belongs here — and who consistently *underacts*, therefore coming at the material in a more realistic fashion — Moore looks really bad. Brenda, in fact, would've been a perfect role for Edie Falco. Why not give a plum part in a major-studio film to her? And why not give Julianne Moore the other role?

Freedomland would've been better served as a miniseries on HBO, which is my default suggestion for any movie that needs to be longer than a theatrical showing will allow. As it is, the film gets rid of an entire major character, a reporter following the case, so we miss out on most of the media frenzy that would obviously be surrounding the missing child, the mother, and the police lockdown. Other characters, like Brenda's racist cop brother (Ron Eldard), barely make any sense — we're led to believe he may be in on a cover-up, but that comes to nothing. A resident named Billy who's been beating his wife similarly gets lost in the shuffle; in the book, there's a quietly effective confrontation between him and Council, but in the movie Billy presumably goes on beating his wife. "Talk to Billy," the guy's wife says to Council. "Don't forget," she says again. And later, "Are you gonna talk to him?" Council never does talk to him. Does he forget, or does the movie just not care about the suffering of a non-white woman?

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Date Movie (PG-13) — 12:55, 3:00, 5:00, 7:15, 9:15
Pink Panther (PG) — 12:45, 2:50, 4:55, 7:05, 9:10
Eight Below (PG) — 12:30, 3:50, 7:00, 9:30
Nanny McPhee (PG) — 12:30, 2:45, 4:55
When A Stranger Calls (PG-13) — 7:15, 9:20
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Imagine Me and You (R) — Fri-Sun: 7:30, 9:20; Mon-Thu: 7:30
Cache (R) — Fri: 3:20, 7:15, 9:30; Sat: 12:20, 3:20, 7:15, 9:30; Sun: 12:20, 3:20, 7:15; Mon-Thu: 3:20, 7:15
White Countess (PG-13) — Fri: 3:50; Sat/Sun: 12:55, 3:50; Mon-Thu: 3:50
Screen Door Jesus (R) — Fri: 3:10, 7:05, 9:25; Sat: 12:30, 3:10, 7:05, 9:25; Sun: 12:30, 3:10, 7:05; Mon-Thu: 3:10, 7:05

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Doogal (G) — 12:45, 2:50, 4:55, 6:55, 8:55
Eight Below (PG) — 12:50, 3:50, 7:00, 9:30
Date Movie (PG-13) — 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:10, 9:10
Curious George (G) — 12:40, 2:45, 4:45, 6:50, 8:50
Pink Panther (PG) — 12:45, 2:55, 5:05, 7:05, 9:05
Final Destination 3 (R) — 1:10, 3:10, 5:10, 7:25, 9:35
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Marion Nomination Papers

Nomination papers are now available for Marion's Annual Town Election to be held on Tuesday, May 30, 2006 for the following offices:

- Selectman (3 years): David K. Pierce (incumbent);
- Assessor (3 years): Mary P. Nicholson (incumbent);
- Town Moderator (1 year): David B. Titus (incumbent);
- Board of Health (3 years): Samuel W. McFadden (incumbent);
- Planning Board (3 years): Terence B. Lee and Peter F. Winters (incumbents);
- Marion School Committee (3 years): Joseph A. Berry and John J. Russell (incumbents); and
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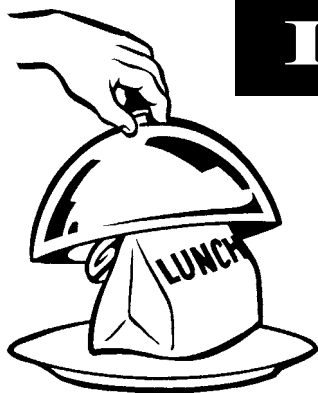
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Monday, February 27: Chicken nuggets, rice, corn, fresh fruit, milk.

Tuesday, February 28: Sloppy Joe on a bun, mashed potatoes, sweet green beans, fresh fruit, milk.

Wednesday, March 1: "Build a burger," baked fries, peas, fresh fruit, milk.

Thursday, March 2: Chili dog, baked fries, mixed vegetables, fresh fruit, milk.

Friday, March 3: French bread pizza, tuna salad sandwich, garden salad, fresh fruit, milk.

• COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, February 27: Sausage cacciatore, penne pasta with sauce, Genoa blend vegetables, Vienna bread, pineapple in light syrup.

Tuesday, February 28: Cream of broccoli soup, honey and lime chicken, garlic mashed potatoes, multigrain roll, banana.

Wednesday, March 1: Broccoli and cheese bake, escalloped tomatoes, hash browns, oatmeal bread, mixed fruit in light syrup.

Thursday, March 2: Beef stew with vegetables, boiled potatoes, finger roll, cookie, graham wafer.

Friday, March 3: Potato crunch fish nuggets with tartar sauce, Delmonico potatoes, green beans, whole wheat roll, chocolate pudding, sugar-free pudding.

• CENTER SCHOOL MATTAPoisett

Monday, February 27: Chicken parmesan sub, tossed salad, chicken noodle soup, fresh fruit, milk, turkey on whole wheat bread.

Tuesday, February 28: Chicken fajitas, lettuce/tomato/cheese, tomato soup, nachos, milk, toasted cheese on oatmeal bread.

Wednesday, March 1: Chicken penne pasta parmesan, garlic bread, fruit cup, turkey sandwich, oatmeal bread, veggie sticks, fruit, soup, milk.

Thursday, March 2: Hamburger on a roll, veggie sticks, oven baked fries, chicken noodle soup, toasted cheese on whole grain bread, fruit, milk.

Friday, March 3: Cheese pizza, tuna pocket, clam chowder, tossed salad greens, orange slices, milk.

• FORD MIDDLE SCHOOL ACUSHNET

Monday, February 27: Chicken nuggets, rice, corn, fresh fruit, milk.

Tuesday, February 28: Sloppy Joe on a bun, mashed potatoes, sweet green beans, fresh fruit, milk.

Wednesday, March 1: "Build a burger," baked fries, peas, fresh fruit, milk.

Thursday, March 2: Chili dog, baked fries, mixed vegetables, fresh fruit, milk.

Friday, March 3: French bread pizza, tuna salad sandwich, garden salad, fresh fruit, milk.

• MEMORIAL SCHOOL ROCHESTER

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Tuesday, February 28: Chicken fajitas, lettuce/tomato/cheese, tomato soup, nachos, milk, toasted cheese on oatmeal bread.

Wednesday, March 1: Chicken

penne pasta parmesan, garlic bread, fruit cup, turkey sandwich, oatmeal bread, veggie sticks, fruit, soup, milk.

Thursday, March 2: Hamburger on a roll, veggie sticks, oven baked fries, chicken noodle soup, toasted cheese on whole grain bread, fruit, milk.

Friday, March 3: Cheese pizza, tuna pocket, clam chowder, tossed salad greens, orange slices, milk.

• OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOKE HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, February 27: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, carrots, cranberry sauce, bread, fruit.

Tuesday, February 28: Juice, bacon burger, French fries, corn, pears.

Wednesday, March 1: Chicken fajita, taco tortilla chips, salsa, green beans, mixed fruit.

Thursday, March 2: Turkey salad roll, hot pocket, spicy fries, peas, fruit crisp.

Friday, March 3: Egg salad, pizza bagel, chips, veggie sticks, apple.

• OLD HAMMONDTOWN SCHOOL MATTAPoisett

Monday, February 27: Chicken parmesan sub, tossed salad, chicken noodle soup, fresh fruit, milk, turkey on whole wheat bread.

Tuesday, February 28: Chicken fajitas, lettuce/tomato/cheese, tomato soup, nachos, milk, toasted cheese on oatmeal bread.

Wednesday, March 1: Chicken penne pasta parmesan, garlic bread, fruit cup, turkey sandwich, oatmeal bread, veggie sticks, fruit, soup, milk.

Thursday, March 2: Hamburger on a roll, veggie sticks, oven baked fries, chicken noodle soup, toasted cheese on whole grain bread, fruit, milk.

Friday, March 3: Cheese pizza, tuna pocket, clam chowder, tossed salad greens, orange slices, milk.

• OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JR. AND SR. HIGH SCHOOLS

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• SIPPICAN SCHOOL MARION

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Friends of the Elderly

The Mattapoisett Friends of the Elderly will host a "Saint Patty's Day" luncheon at 12:00 noon on Thursday, March 9. It will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Route 6 in Mattapoisett. Please pick up your FREE ticket at the Council on Aging (COA) office in Center School. Hope to see you all there!

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INNER VIEWS

Dial 'A' for Aggravation

By Kenneth J. Souza
news@wanderer.com

With all the bickering and in-fighting going on of late within the confines of the Marion Town House, I would think town officials' time would be better spent looking at ways to improve the so-called "convenience" of the Town House's dreaded voice mail system.

Now, I'm a big fan of technological advances which make all our lives better, but can we all agree that the guy who invented the automated voice mail system deserves to be burned at the stake with his only option for survival a lengthy voice mail message whereby he must press the correct combination of numbers and letters to escape the flames?

Earlier this week I attempted to make my usual phone call to the Marion Town House to check in with Selectmen's Secretary Helene Craver to determine what was on that night's meeting agenda. Alas, my friend Ms. Craver was on vacation for the week — after all, she deserves time off, too — and her message clearly stated when she would return.

Fine.

From there I embarked on an odyssey of finger-punching and redialing that would spin Homer's head. After dialing "0" in the hopes I would get someone in the "front office," I listened to the incessant buzz of ringing that went unanswered.

Okay, so I direct-dialed the number for the Town Administrator which is listed on the town's website and got the same unanswered buzzing. Before hanging up, I tried "0" again, was told to hold as the call was being transferred ... then listened to another long series of buzzes.

I've now spent a good 10 minutes attempting to contact a living, breathing soul in the Marion Town House, so I'm beginning to get a little unnerved.

I next tried to dial the generic, "general information" telephone number (508-748-3500) and had to sit through the following:

Hello, you have reached the Marion Town Hall, located at 2 Spring Street, Marion, Mass. Our fax number is 508-748-2845. Our office hours are 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Thursday; 8:00 am to 3:30 pm on Friday. If you know your party's three-digit extension, you may dial it at any time. In the future, to reach an

employee through direct-dial, please call 508-748-3 and their three-digit extension ...

Um, didn't I just do that?

The voice droned on.

... For the police department, please call 748-3590. Animal Control Officer, 748-1212. To book the Music Hall for functions, 748-2861. Recreational Department, 748-2310. For a list of departments and their extensions, please press '9,' otherwise please stay on the line and the operator will assist you.

Guess what I was treated to after staying on the line? Yep, *buzz ... buzz ... buzz.*

I attempted to place these calls on a Tuesday morning after a Monday holiday in the hopes that someone would be standing by to field incoming calls. I first tried around 10:30 am. No luck. Then at 11:00 am. Nothing. I can understand people being "out to lunch" (in the literal sense, not in the typical governmental sense), but even my early-bird mother doesn't eat lunch *that* early! Another round of phone-tag at 11:30 am resulted in the same.

Just for fun and to hear something other than the empty buzz of an unheeded ring, I dialed up the Rochester Town Hall and immediately heard the voice of Administrative Assistant Veronica Lafreniere after just one ring. I likewise called the Mattapoisett Town Hall and reached Selectmen's Secretary Melody Pacheco without too much difficulty, either (although they seem to have a similar voice mail system).

I'm starting to think the Marion boards who are so hot to reprimand Town Administrator Jack Dolan might also want to circulate a petition to do away with the voice mail system while they're at it.

Thinking that the entire Marion Town House phone system might be on the fritz, I thought I'd dial another department before rushing to judgement.

And, ironically enough, the first and only live person who picked up the phone was when I direct-dialed the Board of Health. Explaining my dilemma to the woman, she graciously offered to transfer me to Jack Dolan's extension.

Which rang once. Rang twice. Then dumped me into Jack's voice mail. Go figure.

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- Thursday, February 23 – PACE Exercise Class 9:00 am; Trip to Rhode Island Flower Show 9:00 am (call 508-758-4110 to reserve space in van); Public Health Nurse 9:30 to 11:30 am;

- Friday, February 24 – Shaw's Trip 8:30 am; Weight Training 9:30 am; Yoga Class 10:45 am; Movie: *Sound of Music* 1:00 pm;

- Monday, February 27 – Water Aerobics 8:00 am; SHINE Counselor 9:00 am; Garden Club 10:00 am; Fairhaven Marts 1:00 pm; Scrabble 1:00 pm;

- Tuesday, February 28 – Stop and Shop/Marts 8:30 am; PACE Exercise Class 9:00 am; Public Health Nurse 9:30 to 11:30 am; Handwork Group 10:00 am; Weight Training 2:00 pm;

- Wednesday, March 1 – Water Aerobics 8:00 am; Yoga Class 10:45 am; Lunch with Kindergarten 12:00 noon; Bingo 1:00 pm;

- Thursday, March 2 – PACE Class 9:00 am; Public Health Nurse 9:30 to 11:30 am; Swansea Mall Trip/Meal 9:30 am; Chianti's Restaurant 12:00 noon;

- Friday, March 3 – Shaw's Trip 8:30 am; Weight Training 9:30 am; Yoga Class 10:45 am; CPR/First Aid

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MARION

The following log highlights are for the week of February 12 through February 18, 2006:

- School Street – officer wanted
- Pinewood Drive – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Route 195 East – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Route 195 West – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Route 195 East – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Sherman's Way – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Aucoot Avenue – animal complaint
- Route 195 East – motor vehicle accident/fatal
- Wareham Road – adult arrest (operating with suspended license)
- Spring Street – family disturbance
- Stoney Run Lane – family offense
- Point Road – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Mill Street – adult arrest (abuse/violation of prevention order, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia)
- Island Wharf Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Front Street – protective custody
- Marion Road – motor vehicle accident/hit and run/property damage
- Parlowtown Road – adult arrest (assault and battery/domestic).

MATTAPOISETT

The following log highlights are for the week of February 12 through February 18, 2006:

- Fairhaven Road – civil complaint
- Route 195 East – motor vehicle accident
- Marion Road – motor vehicle accident
- North Street – motor vehicle accident
- Prospect Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- County Road – property lost
- Fairhaven Road – larceny/forgery/fraud
- North Street – animal complaint
- Fairhaven Road – safety/road hazard
- Church Street – suspicious motor vehicle
- River Bend Lane – burglar alarm
- Hitching Post Road – ambulance request
- Shipyard Lane – assist other agency
- Prospect Road – vandalism
- Brandt Island Road – shellfish violation
- Marion Road – animal complaint
- Whalers Way – animal complaint
- Henshaw Road – assist citizen
- Acushnet Road – ambulance request
- Church Street Extension – motor vehicle violations
- Fairhaven Road – motor vehicle violations
- Crystal Spring Road – motor vehicle violations
- Route 195 East – disabled motor vehicle
- Ned's Point Road – suspicious activity
- Baptist Street – ambulance request.

ROCHESTER

The following log highlights are for the week of February 14 through February 21, 2006:

- Alley Road – assist other agency
- Dexter Lane – restraining order service
- Stevens Road – highway matter
- Hartley Road – motor vehicle accident/adult arrest (warrant)
- Walnut Plain Road – assist citizen
- Negus Way – suspicious motor vehicle
- Kings Highway – suspicious motor vehicle
- New Bedford Road – sudden death
- Snipatuit Road – breaking and entering
- Snows Pond Road – trespassing
- Cranberry Highway – larceny/forgery/fraud
- New Bedford Road – domestic disturbance
- Mattapoisett Road – adult arrest (warrant)
- Vaughan Hill Road – suspicious activity
- Mary's Pond Road – motor vehicle accident
- Sarah Sherman Road – animal control.



* CHANNEL 9 SCHEDULE *

• Thursday, February 23, 2006

- 2:00 – Army Newswatch
- 2:30 – Ovarian Cancer Awareness
- 3:00 – ORCTV Bulletin Board Announcements
- 4:00 – Drawing with Dave
- 5:00 – Wood Wind and Water-Classic Yacht Racing 1999
- 6:00 – Plymouth's National Heritage
- 6:30 – Portuguese Feast

7:00 – Introduction to Tai Chi

7:30 – Artistry on Wheels

8:00 – Car Care 101

8:30 – The Best of ORCTV

- Bulldog TV

9:00 – The Best of ORCTV - TBA

• Friday, February 24, 2006

2:00 – Portuguese Feast

2:30 – Car Care 101

3:00 – ORCTV Bulletin Board

Announcements

5:00 – Gallery Spotlight

6:00 – Army Newswatch

6:30 – Painting with Wild Bill

7:00 – Introduction to Tai Chi

7:30 – Artistry on Wheels

8:00 – This Old Town

8:30 – The Best of ORCTV

- Bulldog TV

9:00 – The Best of ORCTV - Tour

of Mattapoisett Public Library

• Monday, February 27, 2006

8:00 – Capitol Perspectives with

Senator Edward Kennedy

8:30 – Commonwealth Report

with Senator Pacheco

9:00 – Polish Hour

• Tuesday, February 28, 2006

2:00 – Soundings

2:30 – The Adventure of GI JOE

3:00 – ORCTV Bulletin Board

7:00 – Internet Safety

7:30 – Rochester Memorial School Concert: A Celebration of Our USA

8:00 – Tabor Academy Presents

Guys and Dolls

8:15 – NAMI Family-to Family

tribute

• Wednesday, March 1, 2006

2:00 – Portuguese Feast

2:30 – ORCTV Audio Bulletin

Board

3:00 – ORCTV Audio Bulletin

Board

5:00 – Painting with Wild Bill

6:00 – Army Newswatch

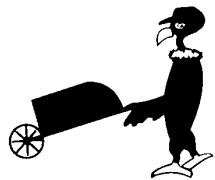
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The 2006 dog licenses for the Town of Rochester are in. This is a reminder that it is time to come in and license your dog. The fee is \$7 for a neutered or spayed pet, or \$10 for an unneutered or unsprayed pet. Dogs unlicensed after April 15 will result in owners being fined a late fee of \$25. If you are unable to come to the Town Hall to obtain your dog's license, please have someone obtain and fill out the form available at Town Hall and send a stamped self-addressed envelope along with your check

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18 Sweet sandwich
19 Son of Isaac
20 "Zip" — "Doo-Dah"
21 Big name in chocolate
22 Self-directed in "Henry V"
25 Hockey's Yashin
26 Facilitated
27 Queue tip?
28 Stirrup site
30 Taxing org.
31 A little night music?
34 Self-directed in "Bulworth"
39 Vacation home
42 Friday's creator
43 "Stop!"
44 Ransom — Olds
45 Broccoli —
47 Lots of time
49 It gets wet as it dries
53 Ohio city
55 First-class

- 57 Wool gatherer?
59 Atlanta campus
60 Peter of "Casa-blanca"
62 Seeks change?
64 Parent
66 Lennon's lady
67 Frequently
70 Mile., farther south
72 Supply with Stens
73 Uproar
74 Geldof or Goldthwait
76 Self-directed in "The Bridges of Madison County"
80 "Definitely!"
81 Clerical garb
82 Slangy suffix
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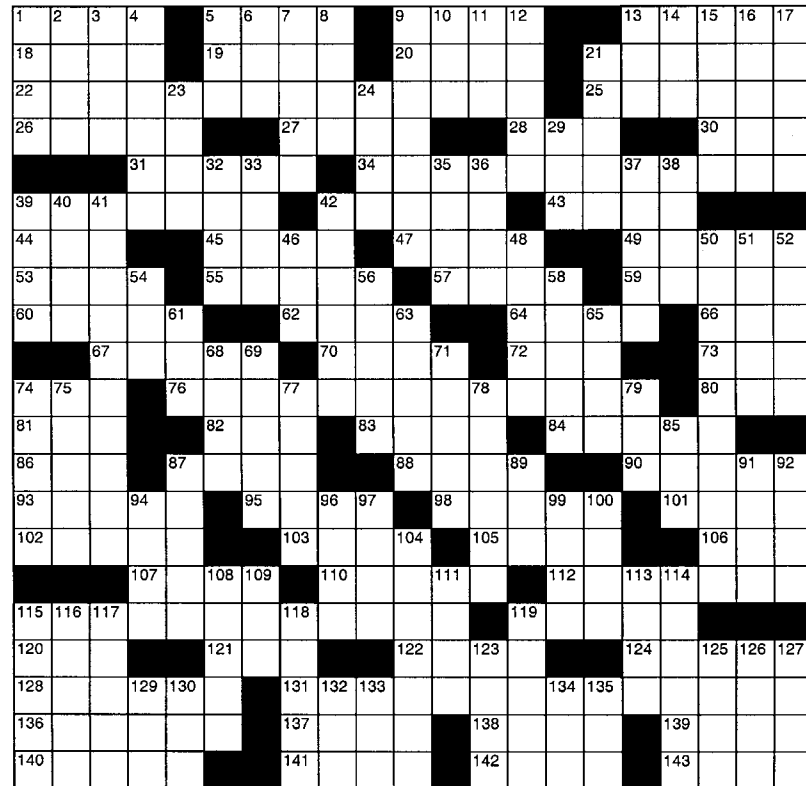
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119 Break a commandment
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121 GI's address
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124 Discernment
128 Tire type
131 Self-directed in "Modern Times"
136 Pronto
137 Cabbage cousin
138 Absquatulate
139 JVC competitor
140 Pithy
141 Goblet part
142 Pop one's pecc
143 Sundance's sweetie

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2 Neck of the woods
3 Hamilton bills
4 Candid
5 Fathom
6 Deciduous tree
7 Building feature
8 Atmosphere
9 Southwest-ern capital
10 Orthodon-tists' org.
11 Poultry serving
12 Snicker sound
13 Mil. rank
14 Dryden work
15 "Ipse —"
16 Tennis player Chris
17 Dagwood's dog
21 "Ninotchka" star
23 Best of films
24 "— forgive those . . ."
29 Plus
32 Brute
33 Genuine
35 Inn offering
36 Nevada city
37 Computer key
38 Mighty mite
39 Battery

- 40 Hodgepodge
41 Self-direct-ed in "Bob Roberts"
42 Do more than dislike
46 Chest protector
48 Skimmer material
50 Self-directed in "Annie Hall"
51 Singer Maresca
52 French port
54 Word from a whipplet
56 Snowy bird
58 Biblical tyrant
61 Catchall abbr.
63 Formal
65 "Porgi —" (Mozart aria)
68 Wells creatures
69 Frasier's brother
71 Ed of "Roots"
74 Hobby wood
75 City on the Allegheny
77 Twangy
78 Hot stuff?
79 Smidgen
85 "— culpa"
87 Crow's toe
89 — Locka, FL

- 91 Podiatric problem
92 Jealous Olympian
94 Half (Pref.)
96 Singer Eartha
97 Dash
99 — the finish
100 Hamlet or Kierkegaard
104 Proposition
108 It'll give you a weigh
109 Soak up
111 Spoken
113 "Cheerio!"
114 Slip by
115 Metal measure
116 Gladden
117 Director King
118 Darned things
119 Seashore souvenir
123 Petty clash?
125 Job opening
126 Add color
127 "Only Time" singer
129 Officeholders
130 Expert
132 Arlen's "The Green —"
133 Flagon filler
134 Artichoke heart?
135 Spell



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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Time is on your side in the early part of the week. But anything left undone by midweek will need to be put into rush mode. The weekend offers choices for you and someone special.

TAURUS (April 30 to May 20) Finally getting credit for a contribution is nice for all you idea-generating Ferdinands and Fernandas. But don't sit on your laurels under the cork tree. Use it as a first step to a bigger opportunity.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Despite the progress made, a hint of doubt might set in. That's OK. You need to stop and consider not only what you're doing but also how you are doing. Make adjustments where needed.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The dreamer is dominant in the Moon Child's aspect, but a dollop of hardheaded practicality is coming up fast and jockeying for space. The challenge is to make room for both modes.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) It's a good week for Leos and Leonas to start assessing what they've done and what they plan to do. Moving to a new environment -- home or job-related -- is a possibility for some Cats.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) The week calls for Virgos to make tough decisions, but in a way that leaves the door open for changes. Ask for advice from someone who has been in the position you're in now.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Disappointments are never easy to take, but you have the ability to learn from them and go on to success.

Meanwhile, continue to build up your contacts. You'll need them soon.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Things might still be going much too slowly to suit you. But you need the time to make sure they're going in the right direction. It's easier to make a course correction now rather than later.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Showing some temperament at the way things are going is one way of getting your point across. Just don't overdo it, or you risk turning away more-moderate supporters.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Things could change more quickly this week than you like. But don't fret; you'll most likely find that you're up to the challenges. The weekend offers much-needed relaxation.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Big challenge coming up? Uncross those fingers and believe that you're going to do well. And keep in mind that so many people have faith in your ability to succeed.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Testing the waters is a good way of learning about an opportunity before plunging right in. Ask more questions and be alert to any attempts to avoid giving complete answers.

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LEGAL NOTICES	LEGAL NOTICES	SPORTS QUIZ
<p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION BOARD OF HEALTH The Marion Board of Health will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, February 28, 2006, at 4:45 PM in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House, on the variance application requested by the Great Hill - Marion LLC, pertaining to the property located at 160 Delano Road. The property is further identified as a portion of Lot 1 on Assessors' Plan 4. The following variance is requested from Title 5 of the State Environmental Code: 310 CMR 15.212: Depth to Groundwater; To install the bottom of the soil absorption system three (3) feet above the maximum high groundwater rather than the minimum four (4) foot requirement. Samuel W. McFadden M.D., Chairman 02/16, 02/23</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE ROAD CLOSING THE TRI-POND ASSOCIATION The Tri-Pond Association will close the private portion of Snow's Pond Road, Rochester, beginning from 107 Snow's Pond Road to its terminus, except for one-half of the road directly abutting the YMCA property, on Sunday, February 26, 2006 and on future dates. Signed: Katherine Hanson, Secretary, Tri-Pond Association 02/16, 02/23</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MATTAPoisETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday March 13, 2006 at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall on an Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation submitted by: Frank J. Linhares, PO Box 493, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The proposed project consists of wetland delineation only. The project is located at Holly Hollow Lane and is further identified as Lot #4 on Mattapoisett Assessors Plat #19. Conservation Commission 02/23</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MATTAPoisETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday March 13, 2006 at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall on the Request for A Determination of Applicability submitted by: Group Athletica-Reebok, 5 Industrial Drive, Mattapoisett, MA. The proposed project is to replace a building sewer pipe and repair an existing sewage pump station. The project is located at 5 Industrial Drive and is further identified as Lot #17 on Mattapoisett Assessors Map #26. Conservation Commission 02/23</p>	<p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF APPEALS #921 Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Omnipoint Communications, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of T-Mobile USA, Inc., who is seeking a special permit under Sections IVE.6. and XX to allow alteration of the existing 97' monopole by replacing the structure with a new 150' monopole located at 153 Cranberry Highway, assessors plan 17 lot 53. The public hearing will be in the Town Hall Conference Room on March 9, 2006, 7:30 PM. Richard J. Manning Jr., Chairman 02/23, 03/02</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS Case #585 The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 7:30 PM on Thursday, March 16, 2006 in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House, on the application of Donald and Karen Devoe for a Special Permit under section 6.1.3 of the zoning by-law to allow the extension of a non-conforming structure to within 13 feet of the property line. The property, located at 6 Coves End Road, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 11 as Lot 81A. Robert D. Wedge, Chairman 02/23, 03/02</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF APPEALS #922 Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Brian White, 91 Alley Road, Assessors plan 29 lot 22, who is seeking a special permit under section VIII.D.9.a., to allow conversion of a single family dwelling to a multi family dwelling. The public hearing will be in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, March 9, 2006, 7:15 PM. Richard J. Manning, Jr., Chairman 02/23, 03/02</p> <hr/> <div data-bbox="623 1367 1045 1820"> <p>SCHOOLIES © 2001 by John P. Wood</p> </div>	<p>By Chris Richcreek</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> When was the last time an American League team led the majors in team ERA for a season? Name the last major-league pitcher to lead a league in ERA and win 25 or more games in the same season. Who are the only two sophomore quarterbacks to win Pac-10 Offensive Player of the Year? In 2004-05, Reggie Miller became the fourth NBA player to, at age 39 or older, tally 30 or more points in a game. Name the first three players to do it. When was the last time the New Jersey Devils missed the NHL playoffs? Which Major League Soccer player played on the most MLS championship teams? In the years 2001 through 2003, Jerry Bailey was the leader among horse jockeys in annual earnings. 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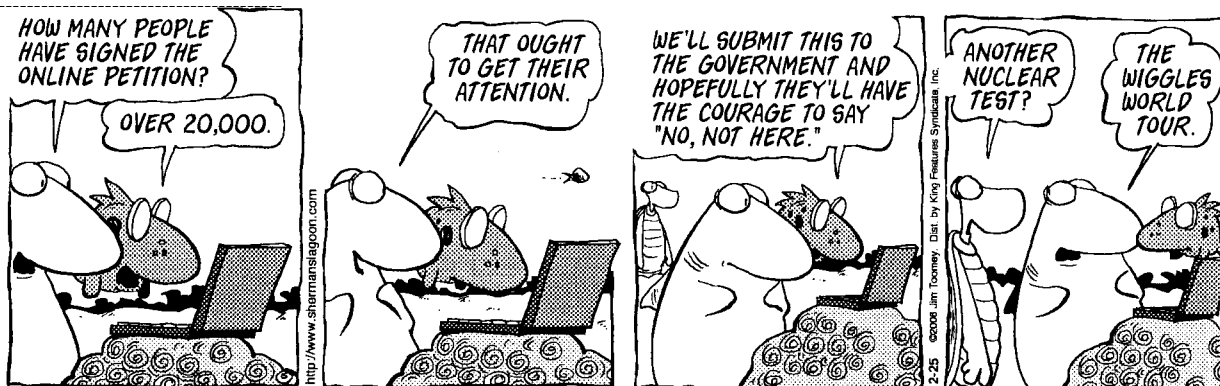
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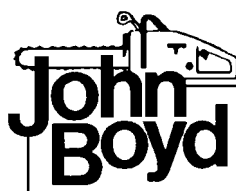
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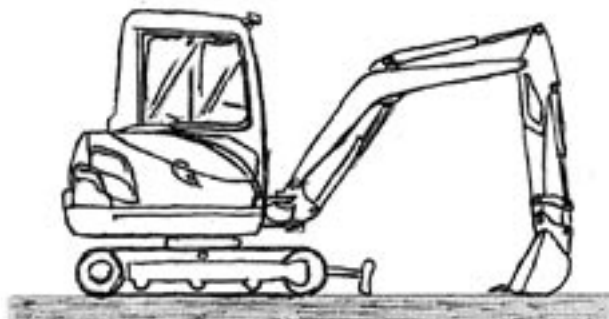
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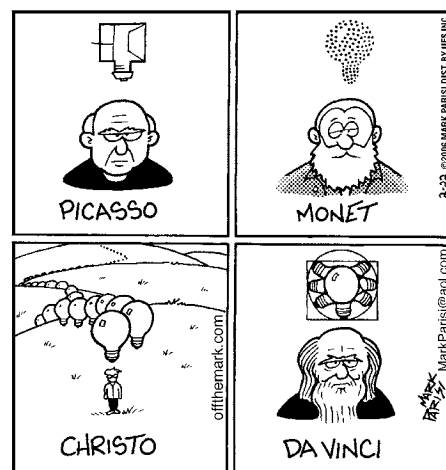
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Date	Day	High		Low	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
February 23:	Thurs.	3:08	3:39	9:47	9:15
February 24:	Fri.	4:20	4:47	10:46	10:23
February 25:	Sat.	5:23	5:46	11:37	11:25
February 26:	Sun.	6:18	6:39	...	12:24
February 27:	Mon.	7:09	7:29	12:24	1:08
February 28:	Tues.	7:58	8:18	1:20	1:50
March 1:	Wed.	8:46	9:07	2:13	2:30
March 2:	Thurs.	9:35	9:57	3:03	3:09
March 3:	Fri.	10:26	10:49	3:50	3:49
March 4:	Sat.	11:18	11:42	4:38	4:29
March 5:	Sun.	...	12:11	5:32	5:13
March 6:	Mon.	12:39	1:09	6:59	6:06
March 7:	Tues.	1:38	2:09	8:59	7:15
March 8:	Wed.	2:47	3:16	10:06	8:47
March 9:	Thurs.	3:59	4:21	10:54	10:02
March 10:	Fri.	5:02	5:16	11:31	10:53
March 11:	Sat.	5:51	6:02	11:58	11:36
March 12:	Sun.	6:30	6:42	...	12:21

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